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Secretary of State



State Capitol
Des Moines, Iowa 50319

OFFICE OF THE IOWA SECRETARY OF STATE

Date: May 13, 2021

Memorandum to: Executive Council, State of Iowa
The Honorable Kim Reynolds, Governor of Iowa
Hon. Michael Fitzgerald, Treasurer of State
Hon. Michael Naig, Secretary of Agriculture
Hon. Rob Sand, Auditor of State

Subject: Permission to serve alcoholic beverages at NASS Summer Conference reception
at the Iowa State Capitol on August 14, 2021

In accordance with action by the state legislature, this memorandum is to officially request permission for the National Association of Secretaries of State (NASS) to serve alcoholic beverages at the reception it will conduct at the Iowa State Capitol on Saturday, August 14, 2021, as part of the organization's annual summer conference.

Iowa is the host state for the NASS Summer Conference in 2021. Secretaries of state, lieutenant governors, and election officials from around the country will converge on Des Moines for this important gathering. Traditionally, a visit to the host's State Capitol is included in the activities connected to the summer conference. I felt it was vital for Iowa to showcase the nation's most extraordinary State Capitol to my colleagues.

Iowa Code 7D.16 permits the use and consumption of alcoholic beverages in the State Capitol or on the State Capitol Complex grounds as, an accompaniment to food, at a single award ceremony, social event, or other occasion, if authorized by the Executive Council.

Therefore, I submit this request to the Executive Council to permit serving and consumption of alcoholic beverages for attendees at the 2021 NASS Summer Conference reception inside the State Capitol on August 14, 2021.

Sincerely,

A handwritten signature in blue ink, reading "Paul D. Pate".

Paul D. Pate
Iowa Secretary of State